

## Message Text

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FM AMEMBASSY PHNOM PENH

TO USINFO/WASHDC IMMEDIATE

INFO SECSTATE WASHDC 2646

AMEMBASSY BANGKOK

AMEMBASSY SAIGON

UNCLAS PHNOM PENH 8640

USINFO ALSO FOR VOA NEWSROOM

USINFO ALSO FOR IEA

BANGKOK FOR HEDGES

BANGKOK AND SAIGON FOR VOA CORRESPONDENTS

STATE S/PRS AND EA/P

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1. THE MOST SIGNIFICANT MILITARY ACTIVITY IN THE KHMER REPUBLIC CENTERED AROUND THE CITY OF KOMPONG CHAM. ENEMY PRESSURE WAS REPORTED FROM THE SOUTH WITH ATTACKS REPORTED ON FRIENDLY FORCES ON KOH SOTIN ISLAND. FANK REINFORCEMENTS WERE POURING INTO THE CITY ON FRIDAY WITH MAJOR ASSISTANCE BEING PROVIDED BY THE KHMER AIR FORCE. IT WAS ESTIMATED THAT THE REINFORCING ACTIONS HAVE NEARLY DOUBLED THE STRENGTH OF THE GARRISON AT KOMPONG CHAM.
2. ELSEWHERE, FANK WAS CONDUCTING OPERATIONS IN THREE LOCATIONS IN THE PHNOM PENH AREA IN RELIEF OF ISOLATED POSITIONS ON THE BASSAC, IN THE VIHEAR SUOR AND ON THE WEST BANK OF THE MEKONG NORTH OF PHNOM PENH. REPORTS FROM THE SCENE OF THESE ACTIONS REMAINED INCONCLUSIVE.
3. THE SEVENTH DIVISION CONTINUED TO CONDUCT SWEEPS TO THE NORTHWEST OF PHNOM PENH WITH THE APPARENT AIM OF KEEPING ENEMY FORCES LOCATED

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AND OFF BALANCE.

4. CONVOYS WERE REPORTED CONTINUING TO TRANSIT ON BOTH ROUTES FOUR AND FIVE BRINGING RICE. GENERAL CARGO AND MILITARY EQUIPMENT INTO THE CITY OF PHNOM PENH.

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